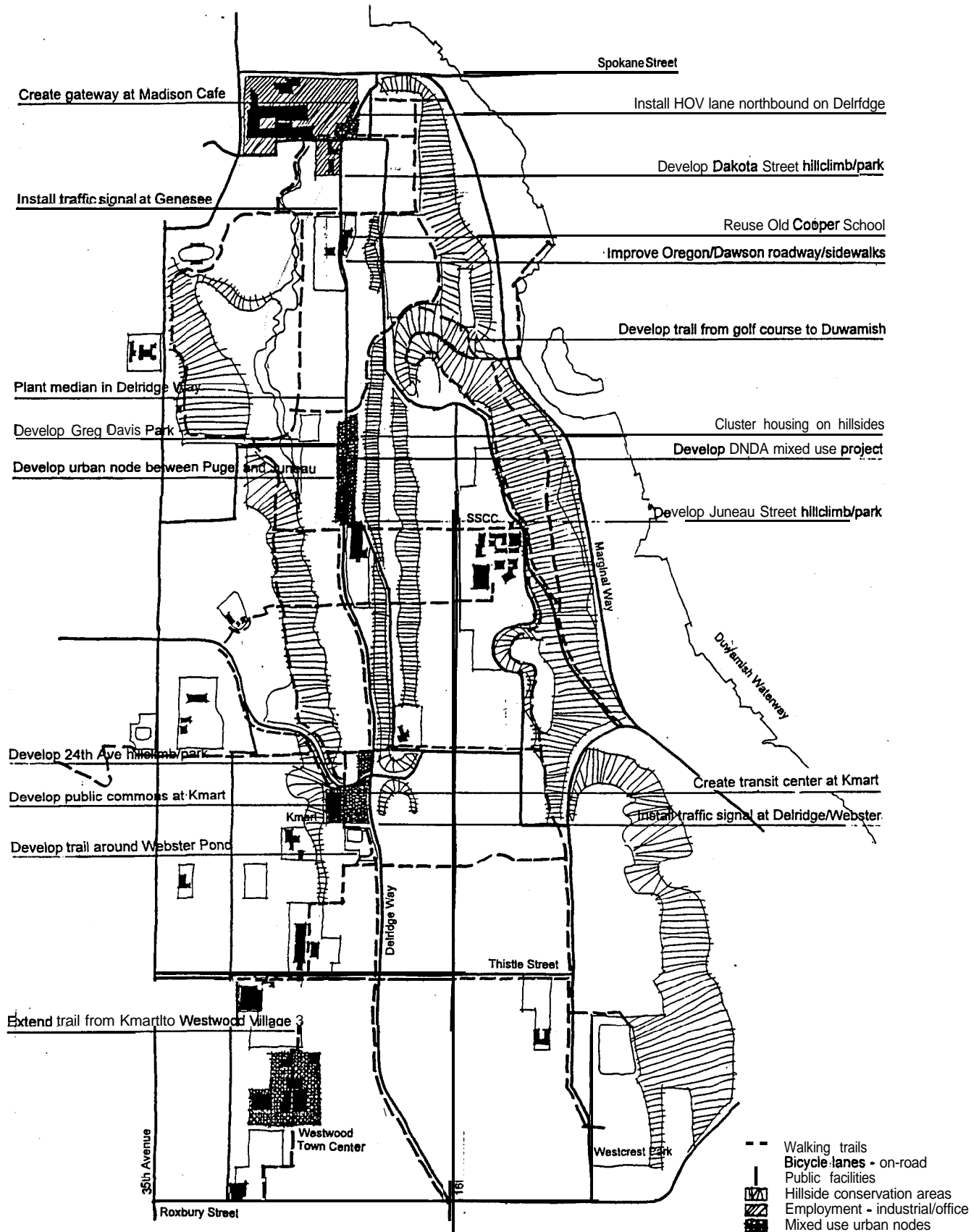


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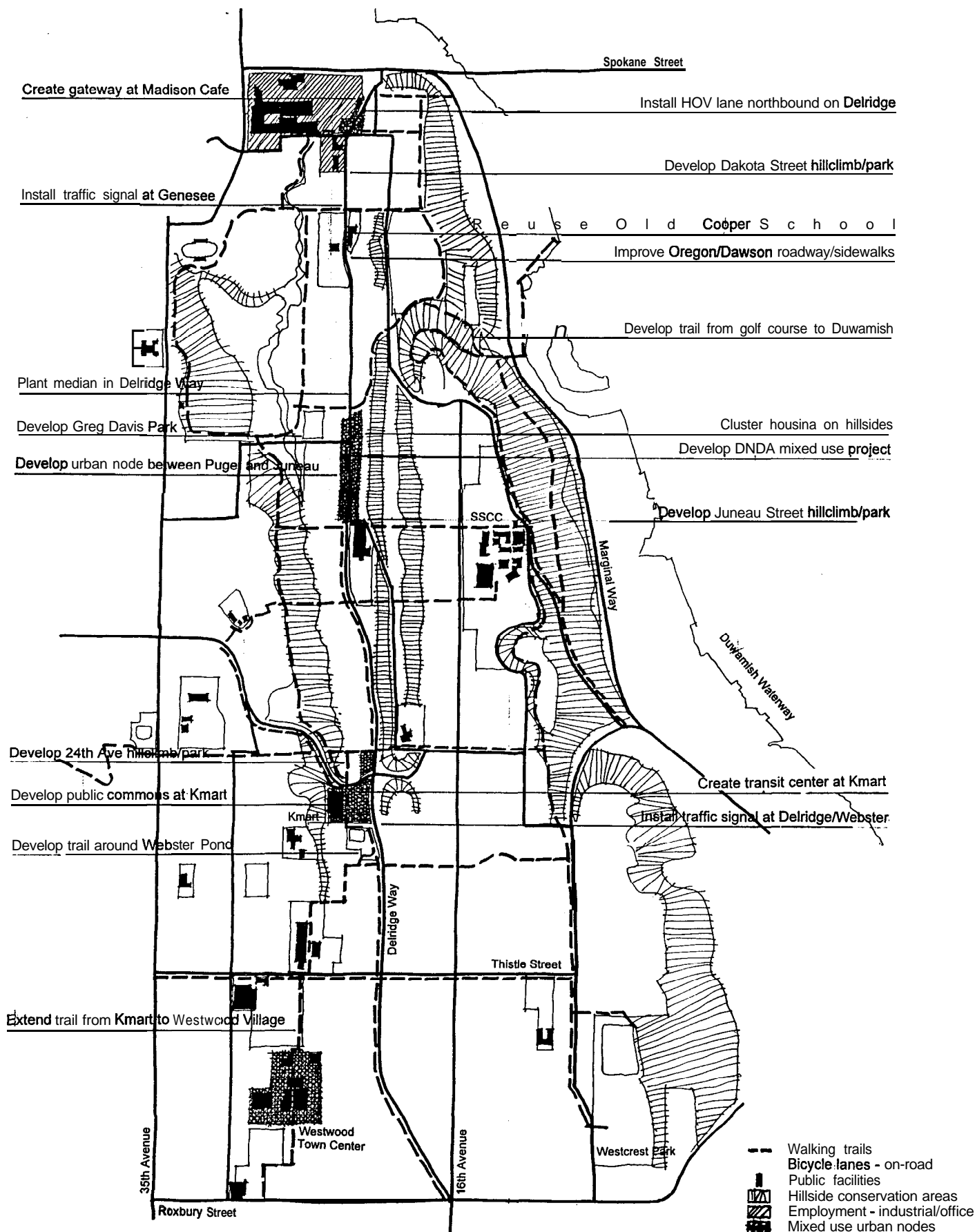
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Delridge Neighborhood Plan Concept



Executive Summary

The Draft Neighborhood Plan that follows is the culmination of over three years worth of information gathering and input from literally hundreds of Delridge stakeholders (residents, business people, property owners, and others with a stake in the future of Delridge). The Plan, accompanied by the "Approval and Adoption Matrix" which presents the plan in a format required by the City of Seattle, will be reviewed by the City of Seattle for formal adoption in the summer/fall of 1999.

The Plan is divided into four sections: 1) Introduction, 2) Key Strategies 3) Other Planning elements and 4) West Seattle wide issues.

Section 1: **The Introduction**, provides a brief history of the Delridge community as well as a summary of the two phases of the Delridge Neighborhood Planning process.

Section 2: **Key Strategies**, combine a set of interacting recommendations into comprehensive themes that, if implemented together as a whole, would help make the community's vision for the future of Delridge a reality. There are two Key Strategies presented in Section 2:

2.1 Integrate the community with nature, which includes subsections covering:

- . Ecology,
- . Environmental critical areas,
 - Open space,
- . Nature parks and recreation,
- . Trails, and
- . Environmental stewardship, and

2.2 Create concentrated nodes of activity. The basic idea within this strategy is to create places along Delridge Way that enhance community by providing pedestrian safety and by concentrating community oriented activities such as business development, housing, community services, etc. to create a richness and a community identity that does not currently exist and would not exist if current development patterns continue. These places are referred to within the plan, as "neighborhood anchors" or "nodes". The Plan describes four nodes:

- The "North node" at Delridge and Andover,
- The "Campus node" at Delridge Way between Genesee and Alaska,
- . The "Central node" at Delridge Way between Puget Blvd and Findlay, and
- . The "South node" at Delridge Way and Sylvan/Orchard Way

An overall **vision, objectives, and recommendations** are presented that pertain to all four nodes as well as that specifically pertain to each node. The plan groups all of the planning recommendations for each node in order to assist the reader in "picturing" the results of the recommendations taken together. Recommendations are grouped in the following areas:

- . Traffic and transportation,
- . Community design and amenities,
- . Land use and zoning,
- Redevelopment opportunities,
- . Trails and pedestrian movement, and
- . Other key actions.

Section 3: **Other planning elements** presents an overall vision, objectives and specific recommendations pertaining to the following elements:

- Transportation including recommendations addressing roadways, bikeways, and streetscape,
- Housing,
- People and community services including: culture and community diversity, security and safety, public facilities, human development, and neighborhood plan stewardship, and
- Economic development.

Section **4: West Seattle wide issues** presents recommendations that have been adopted by all five West Seattle neighborhood planning groups. These include recommendations in the areas of:

- . Transportation,
- . Human Development,
- . Community and Culture, and
- Public Safety.

An appendix and addenda are included in the plan providing further documentation of community preferences at various points in the process as well as written comments, detailed West Seattle wide plan documents, and an open space plan for Delridge prepared by the Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation.

Much more detail exists about the neighborhood planning process as well as City-generated resource materials that assisted and guided the planning committee in managing the planning process and preparing the plan. For questions about the planning process and these resource materials or to get involved in the implementation of the plan, please contact the Delridge Neighborhoods Development Association at 933-3392.

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